

Richmond Rose Weekly Communication				
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### Parking Lot Safety

The safety of our students is our top priority and we need your cooperation to ensure that we are able to keep your children safe. **Parents are to use the kiss-and-ride to drop off children and not park in staff parking spots** and have children run across the parking lot. We have witnessed many unsafe actions in the parking lot and these are becoming even more concerning with the winter weather upon us. Cars can't stop as fast and visibility is reduced during the winter months.

In addition, for those that choose to park on the street and have your children j-walk across the road, we recommend that you walk over to the crosswalk and cross with the crossing guard. This will ensure a safe crossing for all of our students. A reminder that u-turns are not permitted on Frank Endean Drive as this creates an even greater risk of an accident.

We appreciate your attention and cooperation in this matter.

Parking Lot Safety	
DO	DON'T
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walk or ride (bike or scooter) to school with your child(ren) or have your child walk or ride to school with a group of people</li> <li>• Students should use the paved walking areas when walking to the school yard</li> <li>• Use the Kiss and Ride to drop off your child(ren)</li> <li>• Park in legal areas on the street</li> <li>• Cross the street at the crosswalk</li> <li>• Drive with extreme caution, assuming children have the right of way</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DO NOT PARK OR STOP IN THE BUS LOOP at any time of the day and regardless of the weather</li> <li>• Do not allow students to run across the parking lot</li> <li>• Do not J-Walk across Frank Endean Rd.</li> <li>• Do not do any U-Turns on Frank Endean Rd.</li> <li>• Do not park in the staff parking lot to drop off or pick up your child(ren)</li> </ul>

### [Food Drive](#)

Thank you for the donations for our food drive and our hat/mitten tree! We are so touched by the giving nature of our community. We are continuing to accept donations of non-perishable food-products and of new mittens and hats to be donated to our local food bank. Please donate if you are able!

### [Flu Season](#)

Flu Season is here and York Region Public Health wants to ensure that everyone is aware of the benefits of the flu shot. Please visit [york.ca/flu](http://york.ca/flu) for more information.

### [Be Prepared For The Cold Weather and Darker Evenings](#)

As we enter the winter months, **please ensure that your child is dressed warmly for recess** and their commute to school. This means wearing the proper jacket, hats, mitts/gloves and boots for the coming cold months. Students will be going outside during the winter months and playing in the snow and cold weather. Students need to be dressed appropriately to stay safe.

With the change of daylight savings, this means longer, darker days. Give extra care to and instruct your children to be aware of walking, riding bikes or playing when dusk settles (e.g. being more aware of their surroundings, wearing bright clothing etc.).

### [Le Club Update](#)

The following is a list of upcoming dates & activities for Richmond Rose's Le Club. We hope to see you there!

#### **WINTER BREAK**

January 2 - 4, 2019 (in-house)

2nd: Ceramic Creations

3rd & 4th: Exploring and designing outdoors with ice. \*\*Parental newsletter to follow\*\*

### [Every Child Counts Survey](#)

Gentle reminder for the community that this survey is open until December 14th, 2018. Please ensure that your family completes the survey. Your child should have brought home a sheet with a unique ID for sign in. Any questions please contact the office.

WEEK AT-A-GLANCE				
MONDAY December 10	TUESDAY December 11	WEDNESDAY December 12	THURSDAY December 13	FRIDAY December 14
	Pizza Lunch  Open Art Studio - Gr. 6-8 @ 10:15 am	Grade 8's visit Bayview SS @ 9:00am  Grade 6 VIP	Open Art Studio - Gr. 6-8 @ 10:15 am	Last Day for the Food Drive Donations  Last Day for Every Child Counts Survey
<b><u>Dates to keep in mind:</u></b>  Dec. 17 - Grade 1 Scientist in School Dec. 17 - Mrs. Reynolds' Class @ Vivian Outdoor Recreation Centre Dec. 18 - Mrs. Preskow and Mrs. Master's Classes @ Vivian Outdoor Recreation Centre Dec. 19 - Mrs. Haffner and Mrs. Bettan's Classes @ Vivian Outdoor Recreation Centre Dec. 20 - Mrs. Lefler's Class @ Vivian Outdoor Recreation Centre Dec. 21 - Mrs. Apperley and Mr. Calleri's Classes @ Vivian Outdoor Recreation Centre  <b>December 24 to January 6 Holiday Break</b>				

**Richmond Rose – TOUCHSTONE** At Richmond Rose, we take responsibility for our work, words and actions. We put in our best efforts, enjoy our successes, and learn from our mistakes. We embrace each other's differences and care for each other's feelings. We think before we speak and use words that are appropriate for school. Our community is a safe community; a place where we treat people with kindness, respect and dignity. No one is afraid at our school. At Richmond Rose, we are free to succeed!